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Subject: strickland requesting help with council on DROP freeze

Attachments: [DROP Freeze 2017_050917.pdf](#)

Bill and Ben – Alex called to ask for some help with council members who were not leaning supportive of extending the drop/drop freeze when Alex presented it in a first of three readings at Tuesday's council meeting. (see attached slide deck).

She called me back to say that the folks that need some persuading are Philip Spinoza, Berlin Boyd and Patrice Robinson.

Let's discuss strategy asap. Do y'all have time for quick call today?

I'm thinking the best next steps are for Bill to do a touch base with Worth Morgan (as council's public safety chair and our crime commission liaison) to get his sense of things and what council members we need to work on. Then we can figure out role of Bill in calling folks, and I'll call Phil/Kelly at the Chamber to get their help also.

On a related note: The new policy has gone into affect for all appointed positions not being DROP eligible. However, it doesn't help with the immediate situation where a good handful of Rallings top folks, including his deputy director, are in the DROP. All of them however would opt for the three year DROP freeze extention, if offered. This would be very helpful.

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